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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MASTER SLAVE PROTOCOL COMMUNICATION IN AN INTELLIGENT ELECTRONIC DEVICE

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